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Applicants : John P. O'Loughlin et al.

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION TO EXTEND PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicant hereby requests a one (1) month extension of the period for response to the Office Action mailed July 11, 2003. The response date set in the Office Action was October 11, 2003. A response is being filed herewith today, November 6, 2003, which is within the first month after the response date. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$290.00, which includes the fee for a one month extension, plus the fee for the attached information disclosure statement.

Accordingly, applicant hereby requests that the period for response be extended by one (1) month so that the response filed herewith will be considered timely filed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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